From: Stanfield, Brooks

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To: Robert Lindsay
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**Subject:** RE: Kaiser Mead Cleanup

## Hi Rob-

It's a good question. I'm cc-ing my attorney in case you have follow-up questions. This isn't my area of expertise but generally speaking, Kaiser Aluminum has put forward the funding to clean up the settling ponds on their property. EPA is using our appropriated funds to perform the cleanup on the old plant property owned by Spokane Recycling LLC.

Where this gets nuanced is on defining all the PRPs. EPA performed a PRP search and began evaluating liability and financial viability of different parties prior to initiating cleanup actions. This enabled us to identify a course of action to carry out expedited cleanups on the two parcels. That said, EPA can continue to analyze liability during the cleanup and afterwards for purposes of identifying other PRPs and recovering costs that EPA incurred from those PRPs identified and who have financial means to pay.

## -Brooks

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From: Robert Lindsay (b) (6)

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Hi Brooks,

Thanks again for your presentation to the Task Force this week. One item that might have been shared but I missed...

Who is paying for this cleanup?

Put another way, given the ownership history and previous administrative actions, who is/are the PRPs? I was confused about that.

Thank you.

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